with respect to which publication is made.

(3) No interest shall be payable in respect of taxes on amounts referred to in section 607(h)(2) (i) and (ii) of the Act (relating to withdrawals for research and development and payments against indebtedness in excess of basis) or in the case of any nonqualified withdrawal arising from the application of the recapture provision of section 606(5) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as in effect on December 31, 1969.

(f) Basis and holding period in the case of property purchased by the fund or considered purchased by the fund. In the case of a nonqualified withdrawal of property other than money which was purchased by the fund (including deposited property considered under §391.2 (g)(1)(ii) as purchased by the fund), the adjusted basis of the property in the hands of the party is its adjusted basis to the fund on the day of the withdrawal. In determining the period for which the taxpayer has held the property withdrawn in a nonqualified withdrawal, there shall be included only the period beginning with the date on which the withdrawal occurred. For basis and holding period in the case of nonqualified withdrawals of property other than money deposited into the fund, see §391.2(g)(4).

§ 391.8 Certain corporate reorganizations and changes in partnerships, and certain transfers on death. [Reserved]

§ 391.9 Consolidated returns. [Reserved]

§ 391.10 Transitional rules for existing funds.

(a) In general. Section 607(j) of the Act provides that any person who was maintaining a fund or funds under section 607 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, prior to its amendment by the Merchant Marine Act of 1970 (for purposes of this part referred to as "old fund") may continue to maintain such old fund in the same manner as under prior law subject to the limitations contained in section 607(j) of the Act. Thus, a party may not simultaneously maintain such old fund and a new fund established under the Act.

(b) Extension of agreement to new fund. If a person enters into an agreement under the Act to establish a new fund, he may agree to the extension of such agreement to some or all of the amounts in the old fund and transfer the amounts in the old fund to which the agreement is to apply from the old fund to the new fund. If an agreement to establish a new fund is extended to amounts from an old fund, each item in the old fund to which such agreement applies shall be considered to be transferred to the appropriate account in the manner provided for in §391.8(d) in the new fund in a nontaxable transaction which is in accordance with the provisions of the agreement under which such old fund was maintained. For purposes of determining the amount of interest under section 607(h)(3)(C) of the Act and §391.7(e), the date of deposit of any item so transferred shall be deemed to be July 1, 1971, or the date of the deposit in the old fund, whichever is the later.

§ 391.11 Definitions.

- (a) As used in the regulations in this part and as defined in section 607(k) of the Act—
- (1) The term *eligible vessel* means any vessel—
- (i) Constructed in the United States, and if reconstructed, reconstructed in the United States,
- (ii) Documented under the laws of the United States, and
- (iii) Operated in the foreign or domestic commerce of the United States or in the fisheries of the United States. Any vessel which was constructed outside of the United States but documented under the laws of the United States on April 15, 1970, or constructed outside the United States for use in the U.S. foreign trade pursuant to a contract entered into before April 15, 1970, shall be treated as satisfying the requirements of paragraph (a)(1) of this section and the requirements of paragraph (a)(2)(i) of this section.
- (2) The term qualified vessel means any vessel—
- (i) Constructed in the United States and, if reconstructed, reconstructed in the United States,
- (ii) Documented under the laws of the United States, and

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- (iii) Which the person maintaining the fund agrees with the Secretary of Transportation will be operated in the U.S. foreign, Great Lakes, or noncontiguous domestic trade or in the fisheries of the United States.
- (3) The term *agreement vessel* means any eligible vessel or qualified vessel which is subject to an agreement entered into under section 607 of the Act.
- (4) The term *vessel* includes cargo handling equipment which the Secretary of Transportation determines is intended for use primarily on the vessel. The term *vessel* also includes an ocean-going towing vessel or an oceangoing barge or comparable towing vessel or barge operated in the Great Lakes.
- (b) Insofar as the computation and collection of taxes are concerned, other terms used in the regulation in this part, except as otherwise provided in the Act or this part, have the same meaning as in the Code and the regulations thereunder.

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PART 392 [RESERVED]

PART 393—AMERICA'S MARINE HIGHWAY PROGRAM

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§393.1 Purpose.

- (a) This part prescribes final regulations establishing a short sea transportation program as set forth in Sections 1121, 1122, and 1123 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007, enacted into law on December 19, 2007.
- (b) The purpose of America's Marine Highway Program is described in Section 1121. Section 1121 states that

"[t]he Secretary shall designate short sea transportation routes as extensions of the surface transportation system to focus public and private efforts to use the waterways to relieve landside congestion along coastal corridors." America's Marine Highway Program consists of four primary components:

- (1) Marine Highway Corridor Designations. This regulation establishes the goals and methods by which specific Marine Highway Corridors (including Connectors and Crossings) will be identified and designated by the Secretary of Transportation. The purpose of designating Marine Highway Corridors is to integrate America's Marine Highway into the surface transportation system. The Marine Highway Corridors will serve as extensions of the surface transportation system. They are commercial coastal, inland, and intracoastal waters of the United States, described in terms of the specific landside transportation routes (road or rail line) that they supplement. They support the movement of passengers and cargo along these specified routes and mitigate the effects of landside congestion, such as increased emissions and energy inefficiencies. In addition to corridors, the Secretary may designate Marine Highway "Connectors" and "Crossings" as described in paragraphs (h)(1) and (h)(2) of §393.2. Through America's Marine Highway Program, the Department will encourage the development of multi-jurisdictional coalitions and focus public and private efforts and investment on shifting freight and passengers from at- or near capacity landside routes to more effectively utilize Marine Highway Corridors.
- (2) Marine Highway Project Designations. This regulation establishes the goals and methods by which specific Marine Highway Projects will be identified and designated by the Secretary of Transportation. The purpose is to designate projects that, if successfully implemented, expanded, or otherwise enhanced, would reduce external costs and provide the greatest benefit to the public. Closely linked to congestion relief, public benefits can include, but are not limited to, reduced emissions, including greenhouse gases, reduced energy consumption, reduced costs associated with landside transportation